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SUBJECT: MOBUTU TELLS JOURNALISTS THAT ASSISTANCE WITH
CONDITIONS ATTACHED WILL BE UNACCEPTABLE

1. DURING SEPARATE INTERVIEWS GRANTED TO BELGIAN AND AMERICAN
JOURNALISTS JUNE 9, PRESIDENT MOBUTU ASSERTED THAT HE WOULD
NOT ACCEPT ANY CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO FOREIGN ECONOMIC
ASSISTANCE TO ZAIRE. ZAIRIAN PRESS COMPOSITE SUMMARY OF
INTERVIEWS CONTAINS FOLLOWING TWO PARAGRAPHS:

"TO JOURNALISTS WHO ASKED HIM IF SOME GOVERNMENTS HAD ALREADY
PLACED CONDITIONS ON THEIR AID TO THE COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC
RECOVERY, HE SAID: 'I WILL NEVER ACCEPT AID MIXED WITH
CONDITIONS WHICH ALIENATE THE INDEPENDENCE AND LIBERTY
OF MY COUNTRY,' AFTER HAVING DECLARED THAT 'FRIENDSHIP
DOES NOT IMPLY THAT HE WHO AIDS DICTATES ORDERS TO HIS PARTNER
BEFORE AIDING HIM, OTHERWISE THAT WOULD BE IMPERIALISM.' "

"THE WEST HAS ALWAYS MADE MISTAKES ON THIS POINT IN ITS
DIPLOMACY IN AFRICA, HE RECOGNIZED. AND THAT IS CONSIDERED
TO BE INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER COUNTRIES."

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2. COMMENT. UNDOUBTEDLY AWARE THROUGH FOREIGN PRESS COVERAGE
OF PARIS FIVE DISCUSSION OF NEEDED REFORMS IN ZAIRE, MOBUTU
PRESUMABLY WELCOMED THE OPPORTUNITY PROVIDED BY THE INTERVIEWS
TO WARN PROSPECTIVE DONORS.

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